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Update on Korea's HPAI Situation

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Report Highlights:

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General Information:

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The following is the latest status of HPAI as of 11:00 pm, January 22, 2014

Reports received			Result of test				Total confirmed cases
Cumulative as of Jan 21, 2014	Reports received on Jan. 22	Total reports received	Positive	Negative	Test ongoing	Total	
4	-	4	3	0	1	4	3

As of January 22, 2014, the total number of birds subject to culling is as follows:

Species	Number of farms	Number of birds
Duck	30	347,180
Chicken	2	83,470
Total	32	430,650

The government estimates it will have to pay approximately 4.39 billion Korean won (about 4.39 million US dollars) as compensation to farmers for culled birds as a measure to contain the spread of HPAI. In addition, the Korean government is testing for HPAI in wild migrant birds.

The following is the status of tests conducted on wild migrant birds.

Samples received for testing		Result of test (Number of birds in parenthesis)			
Number of sample cases	Number of birds	Positive	Negative	Test ongoing	Total
28	177	3 (84)	1 (1)	24 (92)	28 (177)